

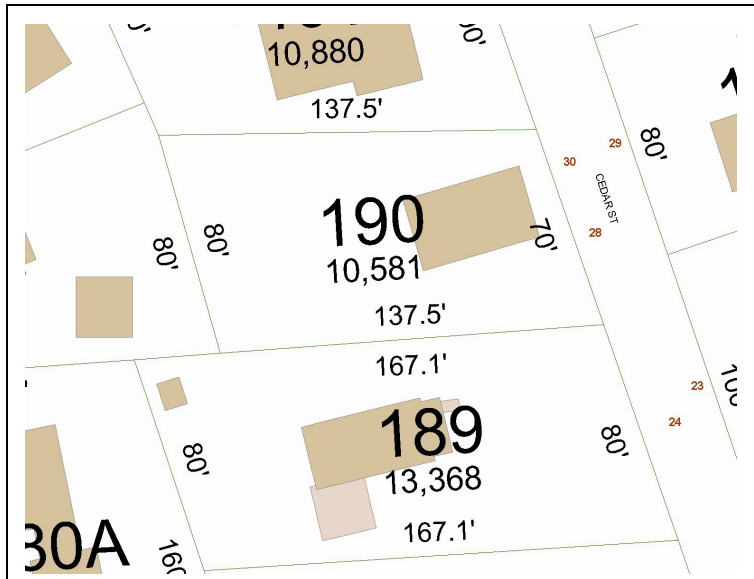
FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Photograph



Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Organization: Lexington Historical Commission

Date (month / year): May 2008

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

50/190

Boston
North

Town: Lexington

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)

Address: 28-30 Cedar Street

Historic Name:

Uses: Present: residential

Original: residential

Date of Construction: 1892?

Source:

Style/Form:

Architect/Builder: unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation: fieldstone

Wall/Trim: asbestos shingles

Roof: asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

none

Major Alterations (with dates):

Date? – asbestos shingles

Condition: fair (due to siding)

Moved: no | x | yes | | **Date** _____

Acreage: 0.24 acre

Setting: mixed residential neighborhood

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

LEXINGTON

28 Cedar Street

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____ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

Constructed in the late 19th or early 20th century, 28-30 Cedar Street is a 2 ½-story gablefront structure set on a mortared fieldstone foundation. Despite the application of asbestos shingles many years ago, it retains a good level of integrity. Projecting from the gabled façade is a two-story, three-sided bay, capped by a pediment. Adjacent to the bay projection is a single-story entrance porch supported by square posts with jigsawed upper brackets. An additional entry with gable door hood supported by decorative brackets and exposed rafters is located at the rear of the south elevation. Windows on the structure contain 6/1 sash.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

This house was constructed on land subdivided by E.M. Mulliken in 1892 (Plan Book 85, Page 12). The early ownership is not known at this time. It was probably constructed as a single-family dwelling and later converted to two-family use.

By 1942 the house was occupied by Creighton Rourke. It was later owned by James and Melba Owens who sold it to Eleanor Lofton in 1949 (Book 7397, Page 16).

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

1906 map
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